ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, SBN 66674 FILED Department of Real Estate 320 West 4th Street, Ste. 350 Los Angeles, California 90013-1105 MAY 27, 2009 3 (213) 576-6911 (direct) Telephone: (213) 576-6982 (office) DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 4 -or-5 6 7 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 8 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 No. H-35995 LA In the Matter of the Accusation of 11  $\underline{\mathbf{A}} \ \underline{\mathbf{C}} \ \underline{\mathbf{C}} \ \underline{\mathbf{U}} \ \underline{\mathbf{S}} \ \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}}} \ \underline{\mathbf{T}} \ \underline{\mathbf{I}} \ \underline{\mathbf{O}} \ \underline{\mathbf{N}}$ FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS SOLUTIONS CORP 12 doing business as Prominent 13 Financial Solutions; and YIMI GEMER GOMEZ, individually and as former designated officer of 14 Financial Investment Solutions Corp, 15 16 Respondents. 17 The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate 18 Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation 19 against FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS CORP dba Prominent 20 Financial Solutions and YIMI GEMER GOMEZ, individually and as 21 22 former designated officer of Financial Investment Solutions Corp, 23 alleges as follows:

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The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, acting in her official capacity as a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of

California, makes this Accusation against FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS CORP (FISC) and YIMI GEMER GOMEZ (GOMEZ).

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All references to the "Code" are to the California

Business and Professions Code and all references to "Regulations"

are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

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A. At all times mentioned, FISC was licensed or had license rights issued by the Department of Real Estate (Department) as a real estate broker. On January 9, 2008, FISC was originally licensed as a corporate real estate broker by and through YIMI GEMER GOMEZ. As of September 19, 2008, FISC became non broker affiliated upon the termination YIMI GEMER GOMER's status as designated officer.

B. At all times mentioned, GOMEZ was licensed or had license rights issued by the Department as a real estate broker. On May 23, 2000, GOMEZ was originally licensed as a real estate broker.

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At all times mentioned, in the City of Bellflower,
County of Los Angeles, FISC and GOMEZ engaged in the business of
real estate brokers conducting licensed activities within the
meaning of Code Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2. FISC and GOMEZ
engage in operating an advanced fee and loan modification service
brokerage dba Prominent Financial Solutions. For compensation or

in expectation of compensation and for fees often collected in advance, Respondents contacted lenders on behalf of distressed homeowners seeking modification or forbearance of the terms of their home loans.

5.

On January 21, 2009, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of FISC pertaining to the loan modification service activities described in Paragraph 4, which require a real estate license. The audit examination covered a period of time beginning on November 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit Report LA 080046 and the exhibits and work papers attached to said audit report.

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No trust account was kept during the audit period.

## VIOLATIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW

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In the course of activities described in Paragraph 4, above, and during the examination period described in Paragraph 5, Respondents FISC and GOMEZ, acted in violation of the Code and the Regulations in that Respondents:

(a) Employed and compensated Jose Tellez-Sanchez,
Gerardo Gonzalez, Lina Norena, Reina Vazquez, Lixlia Edmons,
Maria Gonzlez, Azucena Fernandez, Fidel Soto, Jose Hudson and

Sandra Ortiz, as loan modification agents whom Respondents knew were not licensed by the Department as a real estate brokers or as a real estate salespersons employed by a real estate broker, for performing acts for which a real estate license is required, including soliciting advance fees and negotiating loan mortgage services, with reference to Code Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2, in violation of Code Section 10137.

- (b) Failed to maintain a control record in the form of a columnar record in chronological order of all trust funds including advance fees received, deposited and disbursed, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.
- (c) Failed to maintain a separate record for each beneficiary or transaction, thereby failing to account for all advance fees collected, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1.
- (d) Failed to perform a monthly reconciliation of the balance of all separate beneficiary or transaction records maintained pursuant to Regulation 2831.1 with the record of all trust funds received and disbursed from the general account for loan modification services, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.2.
- (e) Collected advance fees within the meaning of Code
  Section 10026 from homeowners seeking loan modification services
  wherein FISC failed to provide homeowner Ruben Ramirez a preapproved advance fee agreement from the Department in the form of

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- (f) Failed to establish and maintain a trust account at a bank or other recognized financial institution in the name of the broker for deposit of advance fees collected by FISC, in violation of Code Section 10146.
- (g) With reference to the lack of an advance fee agreement, FISC failed to provide a complete description of services to be rendered provided to each prospective tenant in 10 point type font and failed to provide an allocation and disbursement of the amount collected as the advance fee, in violation of Code Section 10146 and Regulation 2972.

## DISCIPLINE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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The conduct of Respondents FISC and GOMEZ described in Paragraph 7, above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth below:

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	PARAGRAPH	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
19		Code Section 10137
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22	7 (b)	Code Sections 10145 and Regulation
23		2831
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25	7(c)	Code Section 10145 and Regulation
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1 Code Section 10145 and Regulation 7(d) 2 2831.2 3 4 5 Code Sections 10085 and Regulation 7(e) 6 2970 7 8 Code Section 10146 7(f) 10 Code Sections 10085 and Regulation 7(g)11 2972 12 13 The foregoing violations constitutes cause for the suspension or 15 16

revocation of the real estate license and license rights of FISC and GOMEZ, as aforesaid, under the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d) for violation of the Real Estate Law and/or 10177(g) for negligence or incompetence.

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ADDITIONAL VIOLATION OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW FISC and GOMEZ systematically employed unlicensed persons as loan agents and loan modification agents to solicit advance fees without an advance fee agreement, in connection with loan modification services provided to distressed homeowners including but not limited to Ruben Ramirez, in violation of Code Section 10176(i) for fraud and dishonest dealing.

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The overall conduct of Respondents FISC and GOMEZ constitutes negligence. This conduct and violation are cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of said Respondents pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 10177(g).

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The overall conduct of Respondent GOMEZ constitutes a failure on Respondent's part, as officer designated by a corporate broker licensee, to exercise the reasonable supervision and control over the licensed activities of FISC, as required by Code Section 10159.2 and Regulation 2725, and to keep FISC in compliance with the Real Estate Law, with specific regard to loan modifications services and advance fee handling, requiring a real estate license and is cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of FISC and GOMEZ pursuant to the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and 10177(h).

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WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary action against the license and license rights of Respondents FINANCIAL INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS CORP. dba Prominent Financial Solutions and YIMI GEMER GOMEZ, under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of vision 4 of the Business and Professions Code) and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

CC:

Financial Investment Solutions Corp. c/o Yimi Gemer Gomez former D.O. Yimi Gemer Gomez Robin Trujillo

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